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NICARAGUA.

Report from Bluefields, fruit port.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Layton reports as follows: Week ended May 6, 1906. Present officially estimated population, 3,500; general sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, good.

Bills of health were issued to the following-named vessels:

Date.	Vessel.	Destination.	Number of crew.	Number of passengers from this port.	Number of passengers in transit.	Pieces of baggage disinfected.
1906.						
May 3	Imperator.....	New Orleans	21	0	.....	.....
6	Bluefield.....	do	28	13	.....	.....

Coastwise craft not inspected—Increase of mosquitoes.

Small coasting native crafts are not inspected by the port physician and are allowed free entry. Steamships from United States ports are always boarded.

The number of mosquitoes has increased, both *Anopheles* and *Stegomyia* being present. The latter seem to be the predominating genus.

In last weekly report (April 29) the steamship *Corinto* was stated to have sailed with 11 passengers. She only had 10. At the time of sailing one passenger was detained. He sails to-day on the steamship *Bluefields*.

PANAMA.

Reports from Colon—Inspection of vessels—Sanitary conditions satisfactory.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Mohr reports, May 2 and 7, as follows:

Week ended May 1, 1906. Vessels cleared for ports in the United States and granted bills of health as follows:

British steamship *Aldersgate*, for a port in the United States, via Daiquiri, Cuba, April 26, with 27 crew and no passengers; holds and living compartments fumigated.

American steamship *Panama*, for New York, April 27, with 102 crew and 126 passengers.

British schooner *Arrow*, for New York, via San Blas coast, with 6 crew and no passengers, April 30.

American schooner *Griffin*, for Pascagoula, April 30, with 7 crew and no passengers.

Norwegian steamship *Phoenix*, for a port in the United States, via Manzanillo, Cuba, with 23 crew and no passengers, May 1; holds and living compartments fumigated.

Week ended May 4, 1906.

British steamship *Gretavale* for a port in the United States, via Cardenas, Cuba, May 3, with 30 crew and no passengers; holds and living compartments fumigated.

American steamship *Allianca* for New York, May 2, with 69 crew and 73 passengers.

British steamship *Alexandrian* for New Orleans, via Kingston, Jamaica, May 4, with 46 crew and 73 passengers; holds and living compartments fumigated.

Norwegian steamship *Frey* for a port in the United States, via Daiquiri, Cuba, May 4, with 25 crew and no passengers; holds and living compartments fumigated.

British steamship *Amphitrite* for New Orleans, with 24 crew and no passengers, May 4; holds and living compartments fumigated.

The sanitary situation is satisfactory as regards quarantinable diseases. The last case of yellow fever was reported on December 11, 1906, since which time no cases of a suspicious nature have been discovered by the sanitary department. The most thorough system of inspection has been constantly maintained. Passenger travel from Colombian and Venezuelan ports is closely watched. Positive information of cases of yellow fever occurring in Venezuela has been received.

The death rate among the foreign whites on the Isthmus is very small.

The rains have set in and all tanks and cisterns have been filled with a supply of good drinking water. With the subsidence of the north-east winds and the occurrence of occasional showers mosquitoes have made their appearance, and among them *Stegomyia* are to be observed. Through the efforts of the sanitary department the people are being educated to the necessity for preventing breeding places for mosquitoes, and all water barrels, tanks, and other containers are carefully looked after and properly treated.

Report from Bocos del Toro, fruit port

Acting Assistant Surgeon Osterhout reports as follows: Week ended April 29, 1906. Present officially estimated population not obtainable; general sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, infected.

Bills of health were issued to the following-named vessels:

Date.	Vessel.	Destination.	Number of crew.	Number of passengers from this port.	Number of passengers in transit.	Pieces of baggage disinfected.
Apr. 21	Chickahominy.....	New Orleans	44	.....	.....	.....
25	Helen.....	Mobile	22	.....	.....	.....
26	Fort Morgan.....	do	23	.....	.....	.....

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

Reports from Manila—Cholera and smallpox—Decline of cholera in the provinces—Plague rats found in Manila—Experimental treatment of leprosy—Quarantine restrictions against Amoy—Inspection of vessels.

Chief Quarantine Officer Heiser reports, April 3, 5, and 11, as follows:

Week ended March 24, 1906. Quarantinable diseases reported for the city of Manila as follows:

Smallpox, 1 death; cholera, 1 case, 1 death.